

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended) A personal dental education kit for teaching new and advanced dental preparation and restorative procedures, comprising:

a kit that is portable to an at-home learning environment, further comprising:

- (a) a hard copy of printed instructions on how to use the kit and steps to accomplish discipline in the advanced dental procedures;
- (b) audiovisual demonstration materials showing an actual dentition problem, procedures for preparation of the dentition and procedures for the dentition restoration;
- (c) a dental model of the problem dentition for the preparation and restorative procedures;
- (d) a dental filling material for the restorative procedure on the prepared dentition; and
- (e) dental instruments for placement, control and shaping of the dental filling material in the restorative procedure.

2. (original) The apparatus of claim 1, further comprising a self-evaluation test for fulfilling licensure and academic standing.

3. (original) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the audiovisual demonstration materials are chosen from a group comprising audiovisual, DVD, CD-ROM, videotape, pictures, illustrations and audio.

4. (original) The apparatus of claim 1, further comprising a second model of prepared dentition.

5. (original) The apparatus of claim 4, further comprising a third model of restored dentition.

6. (currently amended) A personal dental education kit for teaching new and advanced dental preparation and restorative procedures, comprising:

a kit of materials to permit a participant to learn, feel, and accomplish a restorative dental procedure in a private setting of the participant's choosing rather than traveling to, joining into, or being forced to be present in a structured venue, the kit of materials further comprising:

- (a) a hard copy of printed instructions on how to use the kit and steps to accomplish discipline in the advanced dental procedures;
- (b) audiovisual demonstration materials showing an actual dentition problem, procedures for preparation of the dentition and procedures for the dentition restoration;
- (c) a dental model of the problem dentition for the preparation and restorative procedures;
- (d) a dental filling material for the restorative procedure on the prepared dentition;
- (e) dental instruments for placement, control and shaping of the dental filling material in the restorative procedure; and
- (f) a self-evaluation test for fulfilling licensure and academic standing.

7. (original) The apparatus of claim 6, wherein the audiovisual demonstration materials are chosen from a group comprising audiovisual, DVD, CD-ROM, videotape, pictures, illustrations and audio.

8. (original) The apparatus of claim 6, further comprising a second model of prepared dentition.

9. (original) The apparatus of claim 8, further comprising a third model of restored dentition.

10. (currently amended) A method for personal dental education for teaching new and advanced dental preparation and restorative procedures with a kit including printed instructions, audiovisual demonstration materials, a dental model, a dental filling material, dental instruments and a self-evaluation test, the method comprising:

- (a) reviewing the printed instructions in a private setting of the participant's choosing and not a structured venue;
- (b) intermittently watching the audiovisual materials in steps in said private setting;
- (c) performing the preparation procedure step on the dental model in said private setting;
- (d) performing the restoration procedure step on the prepared dental model in said private setting; and
- (e) taking the self-evaluation test.